Lafayette Public Library Board meeting minutes

Remote meeting via Zoom Conference

April 12, 2021

I. Call to order at 6:32 pm

Present: Chair Olivia Ameigh, Secretary Dave Belin, Randy Bender, Susan Curtis, Jessica Gribble, Ed Knight, Jody Tracy, Denice Walker, Autumn Warrington, Assistant Director Scott Foley, Programs & Community Engagement Manager Dominque Burns, City Council Liaison Tim Barnes.

- II. **Library Mission**: "The Lafayette Public Library brings community, information, and ideas together to inspire learning, literacy, and discovery."
- III. Comments from Public: None.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes from March 2021 Meeting**: Curtis moved to accept the minutes from the March 2021 meeting, as written; Ameigh seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- V. **Director's Report**: Director Foley updated the board on the increased traffic in the Library: COVID-19 policies and protocols at the Library (under guidance from Boulder County), including the elimination of quarantining of returned items in the near future, the opening of the hold area to patrons, and current occupancy limits at the Library. Additionally, Foley reported to the Board about the library's policy regarding books with offensive and/or racist material and the balance of the value of neutrality, as described by the American Library Association (ALA). Other items included the Student One Program, which is a program in association with Boulder Valley School District (BVSD) to give access to Library resources and databases for students. Additionally, the City of Lafayette will be providing a standard training for all members of Boards and Commissions about the role and purpose of volunteers in these positions.
- VI. Outreach and Community Development: Dominique Burns told the Board about community engagement, outreach, and marketing. The Community Engagement Team at the library consists of passionate and experienced staff. One recent virtual program was based on a Time Magazine edition about Teen of the Year. Programs are tailored to different age groups, including Early, Youth, Teen, Adult, and All-Ages. Outreach programs are evaluated via several criteria, including a form that scores whether the outreach request meets the mission of the library, including audience and purpose. Marketing the library to the community includes social media presence, consistent colors and fonts, items to give to patrons, and other tactics.
- VII. Other Business: Bender updated the Board about the successful book sale for Friends of the Lafayette Public Library, generating just over \$2,700 for the FOLF. Effective April 24, the FOLF will begin taking donations by appointment. Walker asked about donating iPads to the FOLF.
- VIII. **City Council Liaison Report:** Councilor Barnes informed the Board about the City Council's efforts to approve the final Comprehensive Plan. Some City Ordinances and Codes will be revised based on the Comp Plan. Other plans that the City is working on include the Sustainability Plan and the Transportation Plan. Federal financial support for economic recovery will be coming to the City to improve transportation connectivity, severe weather recovery, and

social services support. The City Council is deliberating how to invest those funds for housing, water, transportation, and other efforts. The City Council is looking at a potential memorial to Rikki Olds, who was killed in the Boulder King Soopers shooting. Additionally, Judge Amanda Balihache has requested that Council revise penalties for missing a court appearance.

- IX. **Next Meeting Date**: May 10, 2021 at 6:30 pm. The meeting could be in-person, with an option to attend via Zoom. Melissa Hisel will be attending the May meeting as Director.
- X. **Adjourn:** Ameigh motioned to adjourn; Tracy seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

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